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Filed: 4/7/2000		
Title: PATENT-RELATED TOOLS AND METHODOLOGY FOR USE IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS		
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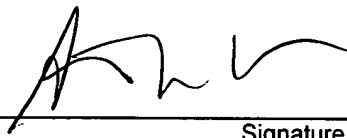
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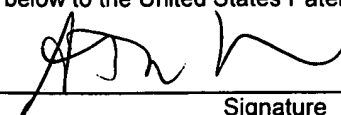
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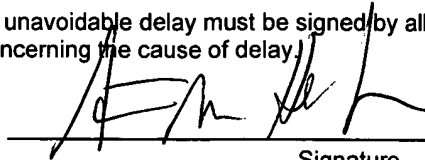
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